



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

MINUTES
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REGULAR MEETING
5th Floor Conference Room
August 22, 2018
3:30 P.M.

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Castagno was present via teleconference and called the meeting to order at 3:32 P.M. Commissioner Penny was present. Commissioners Ajello and Cascudo were also present via teleconference.

II. Executive Session per General Statutes §§ 1-200(6)(B) and (E), and 1-210(b)(1), (3),(4),(10) and General Statutes §9-7a, as amended by Public Act 11-48 §300 (Preliminary draft and agency consideration of enforcement action and exempt records relative thereto)

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello at 3:33 P.M. to proceed into Executive Session pursuant to General Statutes §§ 1-200(6)(B) and (E), and 1-210(b)(1),(3),(4),(10) to discuss strategy and negotiations with respect to pending claims and exempt records. So voted.

Commissioners Castagno, Cascudo and Ajello were present via teleconference. Commissioner Penny was present. Staff members present were Joshua Foley, Douglas Frost, Linda Waterman, Shannon Kief, Michael J. Brandi and Sheri-Lyn Lagueux.

The Commission returned to public session at 4:05 P.M.

The Commission took the following actions in public session:

1. Recommendation of Counsel: Discussion of Candidate Committee Validation Memoranda

No action taken.

2. Recommendation of Counsel Regarding Advisory Opinion 2018-01: CEP Candidates in Primaries Applying only for General Election Grant Funds

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to adopt the Recommendation of Counsel Regarding Advisory Opinion 2018-01:

CEP Candidates in Primaries Applying only for General Election Grant Funds.
So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

3. Recommendation of Counsel Regarding Petition for Declaratory Ruling on the Political Activity of Organized Groups as requested by Arnold F. Skretta (on behalf of Connecticut Compliance and Law Services LLC)

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to adopt the Recommendation of Counsel Regarding Petition for Declaratory Ruling on the Political Activity of Organized Groups as requested by Arnold F. Skretta (on behalf of Connecticut Compliance and Law Services LLC). So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

III. Consideration of Application for Public Grants from the Citizens' Election Fund

A. New Applications

1. "John Fusco for State Rep," John Fusco

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "John Fusco for State Rep," John Fusco. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

2. "Friends of Michael Dimassa," Michael Dimassa

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Friends of Michael Dimassa," Michael Dimassa. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

3. "Davis 2018," Christopher Davis

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Davis 2018," Christopher Davis. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

4. "Gerratana 2018," Terry Gerratana

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application "Gerratana 2018," Terry Gerratana. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

5. "Currey 2018," Jeffrey Currey

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Currey 2018," Jeffrey Currey. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

6. "Buckbee 2018," William Buckbee

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application "Buckbee 2018," William Buckbee. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

7. "Ziogas 18," Christopher Ziogas

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application "Ziogas 18," Christopher Ziogas. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

8. "DiPace 2018," Anthony DiPace

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application "DiPace 2018," Anthony DiPace. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

9. "David T. Wilson for 66th," David Wilson

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application "David T. Wilson for 66th," David Wilson. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

10. "Annie for Senate," Annie Hornish

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application "Annie for Senate," Annie Hornish. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

11. "Formica for Senate," Paul Formica

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application "Formica for Senate," Paul Formica. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

B. Continuation of prior applications awaiting additional information to qualify for a grant

1. "Lopes for 24th," Rick Lopes

No action taken.

2. "NKD18," Nicole Klarides Ditria

No action taken.

3. "Team Eleni for CT," Eleni Kavros DeGraw

No action taken.

4. "Statchen 2018," Robert Statchen

No action taken.

5. "Hall 2018," Joshua Hall

No action taken.

6. "Lucy2018," Lucia "Lucy" Dathan

No action taken.

7. "Simanski 2018," William Simanski

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Simanski 2018," William Simanski. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

8. "Aimee4Ridgefield," Aimee Berger-Girvalo

No action taken.

9. "Cassano 4 Senate," Stephen Cassano

No action taken.

10. "Beth Bye 2018," Beth Bye

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Beth Bye 2018," Beth Bye. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

11. "Petit 4 CT," William Petit

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Petit 4 CT," William Petit. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

12. "Bosak for Senate," Gerald Bosak

No action taken.

13. "Friends of Robin Comey," Robin Comey

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Friends of Robin Comey," Robin Comey. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

14. "Cummings for the 74th," Stephanie Cummings

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Cummings for the 74th," Stephanie Cummings. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

15. "Elect Wendy," Wendy Tyson-Wood

No action taken.

16. "Hwang4Senate," Anthony Hwang

No action taken.

17. "Kate 2018," Kate Donnelly

No action taken.

18. "DeLucia 2018," Nick DeLucia

No action taken.

19. "Sharon2018," Sharon Beloin-Saavedra

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Sharon2018," Sharon Beloin-Saavedra. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

20. "Brian for the 45th," Brian Lanoue

No action taken.

21. "Dan Fox for State Rep 2018," Daniel Fox

No action taken.

22. "Re Elect Carol Hall 59th," Carol Hall

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Re Elect Carol Hall 59th," Carol Hall. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

23. "Team Soto," Christian Soto

No action taken.

24. "Committee to Re-Elect Senator John A. Kissel," John Kissel

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Committee to Re-Elect Senator John A. Kissel," John Kissel. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

25. "Siegrist 2018," Robert Siegrist

No action taken.

26. "Steinberg for State Rep.," Jonathan Steinberg

No action taken.

27. "Stephanie Thomas for CT," Stephanie Thomas

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Stephanie Thomas for CT," Stephanie Thomas. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

28. "Abercrombie for State Rep.," Catherine Abercrombie

No action taken.

29. "Billie Miller 2018," Patricia Billie Miller

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Billie Miller 2018," Patricia Billie Miller. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

30. "DeCaprio4CT48th," Mark DeCaprio

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "DeCaprio4CT48th," Mark DeCaprio. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

31. "Demicco 2018," Michael Demicco

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Demicco 2018," Michael Demicco. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

32. "Eric Berthel for Senate," Eric Berthel

No action taken.

33. "Govert for 34," Theresa Govert

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Govert for 34," Theresa Govert. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

34. "Jennifer4CT," Jennifer Fiereck

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Jennifer4CT," Jennifer Fiereck. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

35. "Save our Towns: Walsh 2018," David Walsh

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Save our Towns: Walsh 2018," David Walsh. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

36. "Coderre 2018," David Coderre


No action taken.

IV. Consideration of Matters Discussed in Executive Session

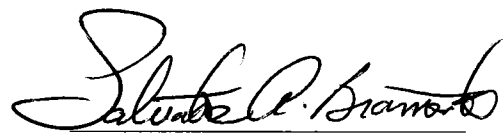
V. *Adjournment*

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello at 4:25 P.M. to adjourn the meeting. So voted. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes of the Commission were unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,


Sheri-Lyn Laguetux
Clerk of the Commission

Adopted this 19th day of September, 2018 at Hartford, Connecticut.


Salvatore A. Bramante
By Order of the Commission

The next regular scheduled meeting is August 22, 2018 at 3:30 P.M. in the 5th Floor Conference room.